




Prince Jonah Kuhio Kalaianaʻole Federal
Building & United States Courthouse

ENERGY STAR® Building











Where did it start??

- **Executive Order 13123**
 - *Greening the Government Through Efficient Energy Management*
(Supersedes [Executive Order 12902](#))
- Operational Cost Reduction





How did the building get the ENERGY STAR® rating?

- **Scored 99 out of a 100. Top 1% in the country.**
 - Measured on a scale of 0 to 100, a building needs to earn a score of 75 or greater. The Prince Kuhio Federal Building earned a score of 99.
- **Only Federal facility in the State of Hawaii.**
- **Received designation in 1999.**
- **2002 Private commercial building designated. Ali'i Place in downtown Honolulu.**

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Projects Performed

- **Lighting Retrofit & EMS Project**
 - 1996 FEMP Award
- **Chiller Plant Retrofit**
 - 1998 FEMP Award
 - 1998 HECO Energy Award
 - 1998 Contracting Innovation Award for GSA.

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Chiller Plant Project

- Feasibility Study started by HECO through MEH.
- Existing chiller plant is 18 years old, R12 refrigerant, cooling towers need replacement.
- Alternatives reviewed for new chiller plant.



Chiller Plant Project (Cont).

• Existing Plant:

- 2 - 1000 Ton Cent. Chillers (R12)
- 2 - 60 Ton Cent. Chillers (R22)
- 2 - 1200 Ton Cooling Towers, 4 Cell
- Constant volume CW pump system

• New Plant

- 2 - 950 Ton Cent. Chillers (R-123)
- 1 - 200 Ton VSD Cent. Chiller (R-22) for OT
- 1 - 60 Ton Recp. Chiller (R-22) for EU
- 2 - 1050 Ton Cooling Towers, 2 Cell
- Pri./Sec. Pump System



New Cooling Tower



- 2 - 1050 Ton Cooling
- 2 Cell
- Mfr. Baltimore Air Coil



New Centrifugal Chiller



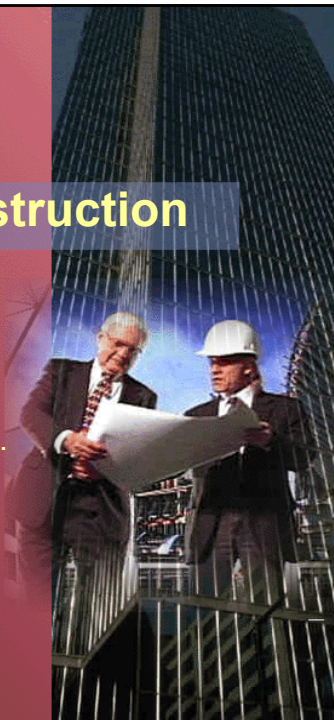
- 2 - 950 Ton Centrifugal Chiller
- R-123
- Mfr. Trane





Chiller Plant Project Construction

- Design started by MEH.
- Construction started by Continental Mechanical of Hawaii (GC).
- Project Substantially Complete in May.
- Final Acceptance/Commissioning of the system was completed in September 22, 1997. 23 months from start to finish.



Project Highlights...

- New plant layout addresses maintenance and service access issues.
- Project was fast tracked because of short performance timeframe.
- New plant provides optimum efficiency during both normal and after hour operations.





Project Highlights (cont.)


- New 200 Ton chiller primarily for after hours support has a variable frequency drive (VFD).
- New Cooling Towers were over sized for improved efficiency.
- First known application of ASHRAE's BACnet communication protocol in the State of Hawaii.



Financial Terms of the Project


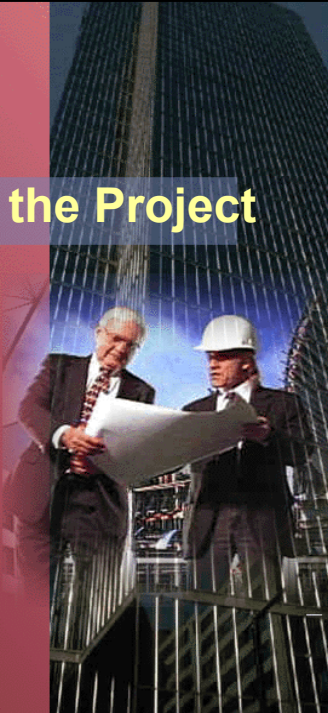
- Financing obtained by HECO through Potomac Federal
- Amount Financed \$1,837,556
- Mo. Payment by GSA to HECO \$18,338
- Finance Term: 15 Years (180 Mos.)
- Interest Rate is 8.725%
- NOTE: Can be paid off at any time.







Financial Performance of the Project



- Life Cycle Cost Analysis comparing old plant to new showed a net savings of \$1,451,290
- Savings to Investment Ratio of 2.49
- Estimated energy savings 1,727,051 kWh
- Base Year 1996, April 1997 – First Chiller Installed
- 1997 – saved 1,410,000 kWh – Net Gain of \$25,291



Where Are We Now?

- Since April 1997, saved 11,738,400 kWh
- April 1997 thru May 2001 costs savings of \$519,201
- Met EO 13123, reduction goal (2010) since 1998.





Continuing To Pursue Additional Projects.

- Pursuing Air Side Improvements.
- Analyzing Photovoltaic Opportunities.

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Why Do It??

- Improve/Reduce Operational Costs.
- Good PR for the Building.
- Yes, simply Good for the Environment

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Need Help???

Great Tools are Out There for YOUR Use:

- HECO Power CD – Energy Solutions
- DOE-FEMP Web Site
 - www.eren.doe.gov/femp
- EPA-Energy Star Web Site
 - www.energystar.gov





Acknowledgements & Thank You

- DOE-FEMP
- HECO
- GSA Energy Services
- Contractors




GSA

In Closing....

The question should not be if
you should become an Energy
Star Building.

But When!!!



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Never Forget - It Can Be Done!

Aloha and Mahalo!

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